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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Akira Nakano et al.

Appln. No.: 09/925,579

Filed: August 9, 2001

For: Plasma Processing Apparatus and System,
Performance Validation System and
Inspection Method Therefor

Examiner: Rudy Zervigon

Art Unit: 1763

Attorney Docket No: 9281/4140

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Response to Office Action of June 7, 2005
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$_____ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(_____).
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
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Respectfully submitted,

Anthony P. Curtis, Ph.D. (Reg. No. 46,193)

Date 9/7/05

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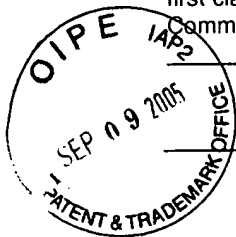
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JUNE 7, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment
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Washington, D.C. 22313 -1450

Dear Sir:

This in response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2005, in the above referenced application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration, reexamination and allowance of claims 1 - 9 in view of the following amendments/remarks

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.